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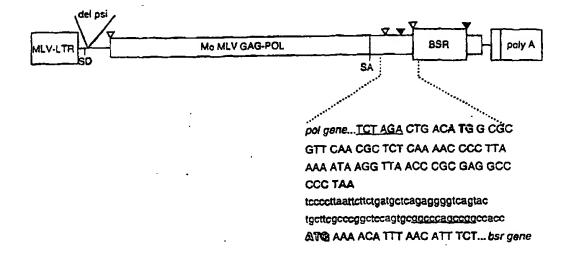
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#### (57) Abstract

The invention relates to new expression systems and in particular to an expression system in which a gene of interest is expressed at an optimal level. The invention provides a recombinant expression vector comprising a gene of interest and a selectable marker gene, wherein the selectable marker gene is arranged downstream of the gene of interest and a stop codon associated with the gene of interest is spaced from a start codon of said selectable marker gene at a distance which is sufficient to ensure that translation reinitiation is required before said selectable marker protein is expressed from the corresponding MRNA. Examples of such expression systems are vector viral packaging cell lines and a number of preferred cell lines have been identified.

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### Expression systems

The present invention relates to new expressions systems, and in particular to expression systems in which a gene of interest is expressed at an optimal level. Particular examples of such expression systems are retroviral packaging cell lines and a number of preferred cell lines have been identified.

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The ability of eukaryotic and prokaryotic ribosomes to reinitiate translation at an internal start codon within an mRNA sequence has previously been recognised. Studies have been reported in which the efficiency of the process, which is generally regarded as being low, has been connected with the length of the intercistronic sequence (Kozak (1987) Mol. Cell Biol. 7, 3438-3445). Selection of this sequence or spacer as 70bp in length, and containing no other start codons, has been previously reported as being optimal for reinitiation in a eukaryotic cell line (Cosset F-L., Virology (1991) 185, 862).

The applicants have found a way in which the inefficiency associated with the translation reinitiation process can be used to good effect.

According to the present invention there is provided a recombinant expression vector comprising a gene of interest and a selectable marker gene, wherein the selectable marker gene is arranged downstream of the gene of interest and a stop codon associated with the gene of interest is spaced from a start codon of said selectable marker gene at a distance which is sufficient to ensure that translation reinitiation is required before said selectable marker protein is expressed from the corresponding mRNA.

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The invention further provides a process for producing cell lines in which a gene of interest is expressed, which process comprises transforming host cells with an expression vector comprising said gene of interest and a selectable marker gene, wherein the selectable marker gene is arranged downstream of the gene of interest and a stop codon associated with the gene of interest is spaced from a start codon of said selectable marker gene at a distance which is sufficient to ensure that translation re-initiation is required before said selectable marker protein is expressed from the corresponding mRNA, and selecting those cells where expression of the selectable marker gene may be detected.

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Since re-initiation of translation is a relatively
inefficient process, this means that the selectable marker
protein will be expressed at lower levels than the product
of the gene of interest. When the marker protein is
expressed at detectable levels, the gene of interest will be
expressed at higher levels. This will ensure that during
the subsequent selection procedure, only those cell clones
which express the gene of interest at higher or optimal
levels will survive. Low expressing clones will be
eliminated by the selection process.

Cells transformed with the above-described expression vectors form a further aspect of the invention.

The host cells are suitably eukaryotic or prokaryotic host cells, preferably eukaryotic host cells.

The number of nucleotides in the space between the stop codon of the gene of interest and the start codon of the selectable marker will suitably be in the range of from 20-200 nucleotides, preferably from 60-80 nucleotides, even more preferably 70-80 nucleotides.

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The vectors used in the process of the invention may be any of the known types, for example expression plasmids or viral vectors.

Selected cells may be cultured and if required, the protein product of the gene of interest isolated from the culture using conventional techniques. Alternatively, expression of the gene of interest may result in other desired effects, for example, where the gene of interest is included as part of a viral packaging construct.

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Some experimental and clinical gene transfer protocols require the design of gene transfer vectors suitable for in vivo gene delivery (Miller, A.D. 1992. Nature 357:455-460). Retroviral vectors are attractive candidates for such applications, because they can provide stable gene transfer and expression (Samarut J. et al., Meth. Enzymol. in press) and because packaging cells have been designed which produce non-replication competent viruses (Miller A.D (1990) Hum Gene Ther. 1 5-14). However currently available recombinant retroviruses suffer from a number of drawbacks.

Packaging cell lines provide in trans the retroviral proteins encoded by the gag, pol, and env genes required to obtain infectious retroviral particles. The gag and pol products are respectively the structural components of the virion cores and the replication machinery (enzymes) of the retroviral particles whereas the env products are envelope proteins responsible for the host-range of the virions and for the initiation of infection and for sensitivity to humoral factors. An ideal packaging cell line should produce retroviruses that only contain the retroviral vector genome, and absolutely no replication-competent genomes or defective genomes encoding some of the viral structural genes.

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A number of packaging cell lines designed for human gene transfer have been designed in the past by introducing plasmid DNAs which contain "helper genomes" encoding gag, pol and/or env genes into cells.

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Retroviral packaging cell lines are cells that have been engineered to provide in trans all the functions required to express infectious retroviral vectors. A helper genome (or construct or unit), is herein also referred to as "retroviral packaging construct (or unit)" or "packaging-deficient construct (or genome unit)" or "gag-pol/env expression plasmids".

Much efforts has been made to design strategies to optimize the helper-genomes in order (i) to get the highest production of retroviral packaging functions (which correlates which infection titers of retroviral particles) and (ii) to minimise the chance that the helper genome can be transmitted via the viral particles (which may lead to emergence of unwanted retroviral forms).

The first of these packaging cell lines used full length retroviral genomes as helper genomes that had been crippled for important cis-regulated replicative functions (reviewed in Miller, Hum. Gene. Ther. 1:5-14 1990). In order to reduce the possibility of occurrence of replication-competent viruses and of transfer of virus structural genes, a second generation of safer packaging cell lines has been designed by using two separate and complementary helper genomes which express either gag-pol or env and are packaging-deficient (Miller supra).

The cells into which these helper genomes were introduced were isolated by cotransfecting them with plasmids encoding selectable markers. However, as no selection was applied on

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the packaging-deficient retroviral genome itself, the helper functions can be lost during the passages of the cells in culture and the current packaging systems provide limited titers of infectious retroviral vectors, usually only of the order of  $10^5-10^6$  infectious units i.u/ml. Indeed the cotransfection with a plasmid encoding a selectable marker does not directly select the best gag-pol-env-expressing cells.

10 The invention further provides a retroviral packaging cell line comprising a host cell transformed with (i) a packaging deficient construct which expresses a viral gag-pol gene and a first selectable marker gene, and/or (ii) a packaging-deficient construct which expresses a viral env gene and a second selectable marker gene; wherein a start codon of the first and second selectable markers are spaced from the stop codons of the viral gag-pol gene and the viral env gene respectively by a distance which ensures that reinitiation of mRNA translation is required for expression of marker protein product of said first and/or second selectable marker gene.

The retroviral packaging cell line may be obtained by the above described process which will involve selecting transfected cells which express said first and/or second marker genes.

By using helper constructs which are directly selectable and which provide for high expression of the viral gene, high titre retroviral vectors may be obtained.

Helper constructs for use in the process form a further aspect of the invention.

The retroviral vectors prepared from the conventional

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packaging cell lines are usually not contaminated by replication-competent retroviruses (RCRs). However, recombinant amphotropic murine retroviruses have been shown to arise spontaneously from certain packaging cell lines. The generation of such RCRs involves recombination at least between gag-pol/env packaging sequence and vector sequences (Cosset et al., Virology, (1993) 193:385-395).

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Recombinant RCRs have been associated with the development of lymphomas in some severely immunosuppressed monkeys 10 (Donahue et al., J. Exp Med (1992) 176: 1125-1135). In addition, retroviral vector preparations may also contain, at low frequencies, retroviruses coding for functional envelope glycoproteins (Kozak and Kabat, 1990, J. Virol. 64: 3500-3508) or for gag-pol proteins. Although the 15 pathogenicity of these gag-pol or env recombinant retroviruses is probably low, more evolved recombinant retroviruses with higher pathogenic potential may occur when injected in vivo, by recombination and/or complementation of the initial recombinant viruses with some endogenous 20 retroviruses.

In a preferred embodiment of the retroviral packaging cell lines of the invention, the overlapping sequences between the genomes of the retroviral vector and the helper construct are reduced, for example as compared to constructs such as CRIPenv and CRIPAMgag (Danos et al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci USA 85: 6460-6464). In particular, the viral sequences in the helper construct are reduced, for example, not only the packaging sequence but also the 3' Long Terminal Repeat(LTR), the 3' non-coding sequence and/or the 5'LTR may be eliminated.

The possibility of generation of such RCRs and recombinant retroviruses can be reduced by reducing the overlapping

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sequences between the genomes of both the retroviral vector and the helper construct.

Conventional retroviral vectors are strongly inactivated by human serum which makes them of limited or no use for in 5 situ gene transfer in gene therapy applications. previously been shown that inactivation by complement in human serum is controlled by the cell line used to produce the virions and by viral envelope determinants (Takeuchi et al., J. Virol (1994) 68:8001-8007). In particular, 10 inactivation is caused by some properties of the cell lines that have been used to construct the packaging cells (NIH-3T3) and also by viral determinants located in the retroviral envelope as shown (Takeuchi et al., J. Virol (1994) 68:8001-8007). In vivo gene delivery is an important 15 goal for a number of human gene therapy strategies.

The applicants have found that certain cell lines form preferred packaging cell lines.

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Particularly preferred packaging cell lines are the HT1080 line, the TE671 line, the 3T3 line, the 293 line and the Mv-1-Lu line. One example of retroviral packaging cells that will produce complement-resistant virus comprise human HT1080 cells and express RD114 envelope. Such cells form a preferred aspect of the invention.

Packaging cell lines according to the invention provide 50-100 fold increased titers of retroviral vectors as compared to conventional packaging cell lines. Retroviral vectors provided by these new cells are safe, in terms of generation of RCRs, and considerably more resistant to inactivation by human complement.

Packaging cell lines according to the invention may be able

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to transduce helper-free, human complement-resistant retroviral vectors at titers consistently higher than 10<sup>7</sup> i.u./ml.

Suitable semi-packaging cell lines in accordance with the invention are those which express only the gag-pol genes. Such cell lines may suitably be derived from TE671, MINK MV-1-Lu, HT1080, 293 or NIH-3T3 cells by introduction of plasmid CeB (the MoMLV gag-pol expression unit).

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Particularly preferred expression vectors in accordance with the invention for use in retroviral packaging cell lines are those which include MLV gag and pol genes such as CeB. Other plasmids may include gag and pol genes from other retroviruses or chimeric or mutated gag and pol genes.

Various viral and retroviral envelope genes may be included in the plasmids such as MLV-A envelope, GALV envelope, VSV-G protein, BaEV envelope, RD114 envelope and chimeric or mutated envelopes. Plasmids which include the RD114 env gene such as FBdelPRDSAF as illustrated hereinafter, provide one example of suitable constructs.

The novel retroviral packaging cells described hereinafter, have been designated FLY cells, and may be designed for in vivo gene delivery.

Considerable variations were found between the various cell lines screened for their ability to release type C mammalian retroviruses. In addition, few cell lines were able to produce retroviruses completely resistant to human complement. Based on these two criteria, human fibrosarcoma HT1080 and rhabdomyosarcoma TE671 cells were selected for optimum construction of packaging cells.

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Other studies have shown the importance of endogenous retrovirus expression in the generation of recombinant retroviruses from retroviral packaging lines (Ronfort et al., Virology, (1995), 207, 271-275, Vanin, E.F.et al., J Virol (1994) 68:4241-4250.). The co-packaging of an 5 endogenous genome and a vector can lead to emergence of recombinant retroviruses (Vanin et al., supra). Recombination involves template switching during reverse transcription of such hybrid retroviruses (Hu et al., Science, (1990) 250:1227) and homologies between the two 10 genomes considerably enhance the frequency of reverse transcriptase jumps (Zhang et al., J. Virol. (1994) 68: 2409-2414). Therefore an ideal packaging cell line should not express endogenous MLV-like (or type C retrovirus-like) retroviral genomes which can be packaged by type C gag 15 proteins (Scadden et al., J. Virol. (1990) 64: 424-427, Torrent et al., J. Mol. Biol. (1994) 240 434-444).

Packaging of human endogenous retroviral RNA was not

detected in TELCeB and FLY packaging cells when virion
associated RNA was analysed by RT-PCR using generic primers.

HT1080- and TE671 derived packaging cell lines may be safer
in this respect than those generated from NIH3T3 cells, such
as GP+EAM12 cells, which are known to express and package
sequences related to type C retroviruses (Scadden et al.
supra).

To generate the FLY packaging cell lines, HT1080 cells were transfected with gag-pol and env expression plasmids designed to optimise viral protein expression. Direct selection for viral gene expression was achieved in accordance with the invention by expression of a selectable marker gene by re-initiation of translation of the mRNA expressing the viral proteins. This strategy resulted in packaging cell lines capable of producing extremely high

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titer viruses. Furthermore, long-term expression of packaging functions can be maintained in these cells. Many unnecessary viral sequences were eliminated from the packaging constructs to reduce the risk of helper virus generation; indeed the final packaging cells did not produce helper virus, in that no replication competent virus (RCR) could be detected per 10' vector particles.

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The FLY packaging cells described herein are safer than, for example, psiCRIP cells, at least for generation of env 10 recombinant retroviruses as is illustrated in Table 4 hereinafter, probably because less retroviral sequences overlapping with the vector were present in the present envexpression plasmid. Few reports have addressed the question of the characterization of recombinant retroviruses (RVs) 15 (Cosset, F.L., et al., Virology (1993) 193:385-395). It is possible that such RVs could not be detected in previous packaging cell lines due to lower overall titers. RVs are defective in normal cell culture conditions but are likely to evolve to replication competent viruses if they are 20 allowed to replicate in cells complementing their expression like co-cultivated packaging cells (Bestwick et al., Proc. Natl Acad Sci USA, (1988) 85: 5404-5408, Cosset et al., (1993) supra).

In preferred retroviral packaging systems according to the invention, RVs are eradicated for example by removal of viral LTRs from the packaging construct.

Consistent with our previous studies (Takeuchi, Y., et al., J Virol (1994) 68:8001-8007), LacZ(RD114) and lacZ(MLV-A) pseudotypes produced from HT1080 and TE671cells were more resistant to human complement than LacZ(RD114) or LacZ(MLV-A) pseudotypes produced by 3T3 of dog cells. It was therefore decided to use RD114 and MLV-A env genes to

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generate recombinant virions with MoMLV cores.

The sequence of RD114 env gene was determined and is shown in Figure 4. It was found to be very close to BaEV (baboon endogenous virus) a type C retrovirus (Benveniste, R.E.et 5 al., Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA (1973) 70:3316-3320; Kato, S.et al., Japan. J. Genet. (1987) 62:127-137) with an envelope gene displaying similarities to the external part of type D simian retroviruses (SRVs). RD114 uses the SRV receptor on human cells (Sommerfelt & Weiss, Virology 10 (1990) 176:58-69; Sommerfelt, M.A. et al., J Virol (1990) 64:6214-6220) making the FLY packaging cells with RD114 envelope capable of generating virions with different tropism. Retroviral vectors prepared so far for human gene therapy have used either MLV-A or GALV (gibbon ape leukemia 15 virus) envelopes which display some similarities (Battini, J.L., et al., J Virol. (1992) 66:1468-1475) and which use two related cell surface receptors for infection (Miller, D.G. et al., J Virol (1994) 68:8270-8276). Differences in tissuespecific expression of MLV-A or GALV receptors have been 20 reported (Kavanaugh et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci USA 91:7071-7075).

The invention will now be particularly described by way of example with reference to the accompanying drawings in which:

Figure 1.illustrates the structure and expression of CeB.

The <u>env</u> gene (Xbal-Clal) of plasmid pCRIP was removed and

was replaced by coinsertion of the two fragments Xbal-Sfil
(restriction sites underlined) from pOXEnv and a Sfil-Clal
PCR product containing the <u>bsr</u> selectable marker. This
results in positioning the <u>bsr</u> start codon (shadowed) 74 bp
downstream to the <u>pol</u> stop codon (bold).

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Open triangle are start codons ( $\underline{\text{gag}}$  and  $\underline{\text{bsr}}$ ), black triangles are stop codons ( $\underline{\text{pol}}$  and  $\underline{\text{bsr}}$ ). The shadowed triangle is the start codon of  $\underline{\text{env}}$ , in the same reading frame with that of  $\underline{\text{bsr}}$ . SD and SA are the splice donnor and splice acceptor sites.

Figure 2 illustrates the structure and expression of FbdelPASAF.

Immediately after the stop codon of <u>env</u> (bold) was inserted a non retroviral Kasl-Ncol (restriction sites underlined) linker which positions the <u>phleo</u> start codon (shadowed) 76 bp downstream.

Open triangle are start codons (<u>env</u> and <u>phleo</u>), black triangles are stop codons (<u>env</u> and <u>phleo</u>). SD and SA are the splice donnor and splice acceptor sites.

Figure 3 illustrates plasmids for expression of Ampho, Eco, RD114, Xeno, 10A1, GALV, VSV-G and FeLVB envelopes.

All genes are expressed in the same backbone as detailed in fig. 2. The BglII sites for ecotropic (MoMLV strain), 10A1, xenotropic (NZB.1.V6 strain) and amphotropic (4070A strain), the Ndel site of RD114 (SC3C strain, the BamHl site for both FeLVB and GALV were used as 5' ends, and linked to Mscl site immediately after the splice donor site in the

leader of FB29 LTR.

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Figure 4 shows the sequence of the RD114 env gene (SEQ ID No 1).

Figure 5 shows the genetic structure of gag-pol constructs.

Initiation (\*) and termination (▼) codons are shown. The thick dotted line below each construct shows MLV-derived sequences. Nucleotide positions of MLV-derived sequences are shown according to: Shinnick et al. (1981) (from nt 1 to nt 6000 with deletion of the packaging signal (DY) from BalI

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(nt 215) to PstI (nt 568), and with some further MoMLV sequences in both CeB and CeB DS- from nt 7676 to nt 7938. gag-pol and bsr genes were expressed from the same transcription unit using the either a retroviral promoter (Mo LTR) or a non retroviral promoter (hCMV) and non retroviral polyadenylation sequence (polyA). Splice donor (SD) and acceptor (SA) sites are indicated. The thin line denotes retroviral non coding sequences. The thick line shows the rabbit beta-1 globin intron B. The position of some restriction sites is indicated.

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The nucleic acid sequences of portions of constructs (as shown in Figure 5 (boxed areas)) are displayed for CeB (SEQ ID No 2, Figure 6), hCMV+intron (SEQ ID No 3, Figure 7) and hCMV+intronkaSD (SEQ ID No 4, Figure 8).

The nucleic acid sequences of portions of constructs (as shown in Figure 3 (boxed areas)) are displayed for FbdelPASAF (SEQ ID No 5, Figure 9), FbdelPMOSAF (SEQ ID No 6, Figure 10), FbdelPGASAF (SEQ ID No 7, Figure 11), FbdelPRDSAF (SEQ ID No8, Figure 12) and CMV10A1 (SEQ ID No 9, Figure 13) are shown.

The components of the viral particles are produced by two independent expression plasmids (gag-pol or env) which also contain selectable markers (bsr or phleo) expressed from the same transcriptional units as gag-pol or env (figs. 1& 2). The selectable markers are located downstream to gag-pol or env genes and there is an optimal distance between the stop codon of the upstream reading frames and the start codon of the selectable genes that should allow re-initiation of translation (Kozak, Mol Cell Biol. (1987) 7,:3438-3445).

Because there is no "Kozak" sequence (Kozak, Cell, (1986) 44: 283-292) required for a normal initiation of translation for

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the marker gene, they can only be expressed by re-initiation of translation after the upstream viral gene has been successfully expressed. Consequently and also because re-initiation of translation is a poorly efficient process, after transfection of these plasmids, cells resistant to the drugs corresponding to those selectable genes express high levels of the viral proteins.

To avoid viral transmission of these "helper" genomes the constructs used suitably have the classical deletions of both the packaging sequence located in the leader region and of the 3'LTR, the latter being replaced by SV40 polyadenylation sequences (Figs 1 & 2).

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Plasmid CeB is the MoMLV gag-pol-expression unit. It 15 derives from pCRIP, a plasmid used to generate the constructs introduced in the CRIP and CRE packaging cell lines (Danos and Mulligan, 1988). As shown in fig. 1 for generation of plasmid CeB the env gene of pCRIP has been deleted mostly and the bsr selectable marker, -encoding a 20 protein conferring resistance to blasticidin (Izumi et al., Experimental Cell Research (1991) 197, 229-233) - has been inserted downstream to pol gene. There are exactly 74 bp with no ATG triplets between the stop codon of pol and the start codon of bsr, this allows its expression by re-25 initiation of translation on the gag-pol mRNA, after translation of the gag-pol reading frame.

and the <u>phleo</u> selectable marker conferring resistance to phleomycin (Gatignol et al., FEBS Letters (1988) 230:171-175). By using a PCR-mediated mutagenesis strategy which modifies the end of <u>env</u> gene (see fig. 2), a 76 bp linker was inserted between the stop codon of <u>env</u> and the start codon of <u>phleo</u>. This allows expression of <u>phleo</u> from the

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env mRNA by re-initiation of translation. In addition
compared to known env-expressing constructs, this strategy
of construction has reduced the length of sequences
overlapping with the ends of conventional retroviral
vectors. The env genes of Mo-MLV, FeLVB, NZB.1V6, 10A1,
GALV and RD114 are expressed by plasmids FBdelPMoSAF,
FBdelPBSAF, FBdelXSAF, FBdelpGSAF, FBdelp10A1SALF and
FBdelPRDSAF, respectively, by using the same backbone as
FBdelPASAF (fig. 3). Retroviral vectors produced with the
RD114 envelope will be useful for in vivo gene delivery as
comparatively to MLV ecotropic or amphotropic envelopes,
virions pseudotyped with RD114 envelopes are not inactivated
by human complement when they are produced by Mink Mv-1-Lu
cells or by some human cells (Table 1).

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The HT1080 cell line, isolated from a human fibrosarcoma (ATCC CCL121). The TE671 cell line isolated from a human rhabdomyosarcoma (ATCC CRL 8805) (purchased from ATCC, and tested for absence of usual cell culture contaminants by ECACC), has been used for the definitive construction of packaging cell lines. HT1080 line was chosen among a panel of primate and human lines because MLV-A and RD114 efficiently rescued retroviral vectors from these cells and also because RD114 pseudotypes produced by this cell line were stable when incubated in human serum. In a standard assay (Takeuchi et al., J Virol (1994), 68, 8001-8007), these latter viruses were found more than 500 fold more stable than similar pseudotypes produced in 3T3 cells.

Another advantage for the use of non murine cells to derive packaging lines is the absence of MLV-related endogenous retroviral-like sequences (like VL30 in 3T3 cells) that can cross-package with MLV-derived retroviral vectors (Torrent et al., 1994) and generate potentially harmful recombinant retroviruses.

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The helper constructs were introduced into other cell lines (HT1080 (table 2) Mink Mv-1-Lu (table 2), 3T3 (not shown), TE671 (table 2)) for the purpose of comparisons of the efficiency of the constructs.

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As illustrated hereinafter (Table 2), the reverse transcriptase (RT) activity (provided by expression of the pol gene) in cells transfected with CeB is significantly higher than that of the same cells transfected by the parental plasmid pCRIP or that of cells chronically infected by MLV. This enhancement of viral gene expression is correlated with the titers of lacZ retroviral vectors when an envelope is provided in CeB-lacZ cells after comparison with titers of lacZ pseudotypes of either replication-competent viruses or other helper-free packaging systems.

For the generation of final packaging cell lines, the best clonal env transfectants have been selected. Packaging systems obtained in this way will be able to produce helperfree retroviral vectors at titers greater than 10° infectious particles per ml, which would be 10-100 fold higher to helper-free preparations of others.

above), growing the packaging cells in phleomycin and blasticidin selective pressure increase and stabilize the expression of the retroviral components and particularly the envelopes, as it is possible that env glycoproteins have toxic effects for the producer cells in the long term which may lead to a decrease of expression.

Such an enhancement of viral production observed with the packaging systems described herein might increase the emergence of unwanted retroviruses having recombined between the genomes of both the retroviral vector and either of the

two packaging-deficient constructs. However, the constructs have been designed in such a way that it reduces the probability of emergence of recombinant viruses compared to the parental constructs. To check their safety, attempts have been made to detect the presence of replication-competent retroviruses by a mobilisation assay of a lacZ provirus. No RC viruses have been found in all retroviral vector preparations tested so far.

10 The following Examples illustrate the invention.

#### Example 1

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Preparation of Cell lines and viruses.

- The following cell lines were used:

  A204 (ATCC HTB 82), HeLa (ATCC CCL2), HT1080 (ATCC CCL121),

  MRC5 (ATCC CCL171), T24 (ATCC HTB 4), VERO (ATCC CCL81) and

  D17 (ATCC CCL183) were purchased from ATCC.
- 20 HOS, TE671 and Mv-1-Lu cells and their clones harboring MFGnlslacZ retroviral vector as described by Takeuchi et al., J Virol (1994), 68, 8001-8007.

The above cell lines were grown in DMEM (Gibco-BRL, U.K.) supplemented with 10% fetal calf serum.

EB8 (Battini et al., J. Virol (1992) 66: 1468-1475);
psiCRE, psiCRELLZ and psiCRIP (Danos et al., Proc. Natl.
Acad. Sci USA (1988) 85: 6460-6464);

Cells GP+EAM12 (Markowitz et al., Virology (1988), 167, 400-406); and
NIH-3T3 murine fibroblasts.

These cell lines were grown in DMEM (GIBCO-BRL, U.K.) supplemented with 10% new-born calf serum.

Mv-1-Lu, TE671 and HT1080 cells were transfected using
calcium-phosphate precipitation method (Sambrook et.,
 "Molecular Cloning" 1989, Cold Spring Harbour Laboratory
Press: New York) as described elsewhere (Battini et al.,
supra). CeB-transfected Mv-1-Lu, TE671 and HT1080 cells
were selected with 3, 6-8 and 4 μg/ml of blasticidin S (ICN,
UK), respectively, and blasticidin-resistant colonies were
isolated 2-3 weeks later. Cells transfected with the various
env-expression plasmids were selected with phleomycin
(CAYLA, France): 50 μg/ml (for FBASALF-transfected cells) or
10 μg/ml (for FBASAF-, FbdelPASAF-, FbdelPMOSAF,
FBdelPIOAISAF or FBdelPRDSAF-transfected cells). Phleomycinresistant colonies were isolated 2-3 weeks later.

Production of lacZ pseudotypes using replication competent viruses, amphotropic murine leukemia virus (MLV-A) 1504 strain and cat endogenous virus RD114, was carried out as described previously (Takeuchi et al., J Virol (1994), 68, 8001-8007).

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## Example 2

Preparation of Plasmids.

The env gene of pCRIP (Danos et al., supra) was excised by

HpaI/ClaI digestion. A 500 bp PCR-generated DNA fragment was
obtained using pSV2-bsr (Izumi et al., Experimental Cell
Research (1991), 197, 299-233) as template and a pair of
oligonucleotides:

(5'>CGGAATTCGGATCCGAGCTCGGCCCAGCCGGCCACCATGAAAACATTTAACATTTC

TC) (SEQ ID NO 2) at 5' end and (5'>GATCCATCGATAAGCTTGGTGGTAAAACTTTT) (SEQ ID No 3) at 3' end, with SfiI and ClaI sites, respectively. This fragment was inserted in HpaI/ClaI sites of pCRIP by co-ligation with a 85 bp HpaI/SfiI DNA fragment isolated from pOXEnv (Russell et al., Nucleic Acids Research (1993), 21, 1081-1085) which

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provides the end of the Moloney murine leukemia virus (MoMLV) pol gene. The resulting plasmid named CeB (Fig. 1) could express the MoMLV gag-pol gene as well as the bsr selectable marker conferring resistance to blasticidin S, both driven by the MoMLV 5'LTR promoter.

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A series of env-expression plasmids was generated using the 4070A MLV (amphotropic) env gene (Ott et al., J Virol (1990), 64, 757-766) and the FB29 Friend MLV promoter 10 (Perryman et al., Nucleic Acid Res (1991), 19, 6950). In FBASALF (Fig. 1) a BglII/ClaI fragment containing the env gene was cloned in BamHI/ClaI sites of plasmid FB3LPh which also contained the C57 Friend MLV LTR driving the expression of the phleo selection marker. A 136 bp env fragment was 15 generated by PCR using plasmid FB3 (Heard et al., J Virol (1991), 65, 4026-4032) as template and a pair of oligonucleotides: (5'>GCTCTTCGGACCCTGCATTC) (SEQ ID NO 4) at 5' end (before ClaI site) and (5'>TAGCATGGCGCCCTATGGCTCGTACTCTATAGGC) (SEQ ID NO 5) at 3' end, providing a KasI restriction site immediately after the 20 env stop codon. This PCR fragment was digested using ClaI and KasI. A DNA fragment containing the FB29 LTR and the MLV-A env gene was obtained by NdeI/ClaI digestion of FBASALF. The fragments were co-ligated in NdeI/KasI digested pUT626 (kindly provided by Daniel Drocourt, CAYLA labs, 25 France). In the resulting plasmid, named FBASAF (Fig. 1), the phleo selectable marker was expressed from the same mRNA as the env gene. A BglII restriction site was created after the MscI site at position 214 in the FB29 leader by using a commercial linker (Biolabs, France). A NdeI/BglII fragment 30 containing the FB29 LTR was co-inserted with the BqlII/ClaI env fragment in NdeI/ClaI-digested FBASAF plasmid DNA, resulting in plasmid FBdelPASAF (Fig. 1). Compared to FBASAF, FBdelPASAF has a 100bp larger deletion in the leader 35 region.

## Example 3

Cloning and Sequencing of the RD114 env gene The RD114 env gene was first sub-cloned in plasmid Bluescript KS+ (Stratagene) as a 3 Kb HindIII insert 5 isolated from SC3C, an RD114 infectious DNA clone (Reeves et al., J. Virol (1984), 52, 164-171). A 2.7 kb Scal-Hind III fragment of this subclone containing the RD114 env gene was sequenced (Figure 4 (SEQ ID NO 1) - EMBL accession number; X87829). The 5' non-coding sequence upstream of an NdeI site 10 was deleted by an EcoRI/NdeI digestion followed by fillingin with Klenow enzyme and self-ligation. From this plasmid, two DNA fragments were obtained: a BamHI/NcoI 2.5 Kb fragment and a 63 bp PCR-generated DNA fragment using (5'>CGCCTCATGGCCTTCATTAA) (SEQ OD NO 6) at 5' end (before 15 NotI site) and (5'>TAGCATGGCGCCTCAATCCTGAGCTTCTTCC) (SEQ ID NO 7) at 3' end, providing a KasI restriction site just after RD114 env gene stop codon. The PCR fragment was digested with NcoI and KasI. Both fragments were co-20 inserted between BglII and KasI sites of FBdelPASAF and the resulting plasmid was named FBdelPRDSAF (Fig. 1).

Plasmid pCRIPAMgag- (Danos, O. et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci USA (1988) 85:6460-6464) was used for transfection.

#### 25 Example 4

Infection assays.

Target cells were seeded in 24-multiwell plates (4x104 cells per well) and were incubated overnight. Infections were then carried out at 37°C by plating 1 ml dilutions of viral 30 supernatants in the presence of 4  $\mu \mathrm{g/ml}$  polybrene (Sigma) on target cells. 3h later virus-containing medium was replaced by fresh medium and infected cells were incubated for two days before X-gal staining, performed as previously described (Tailor et al., J Virol (1993), 67, 6737-6741, 35

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Takeuchi et al., J Virol (1994), 68, 8001-8007). Viral titers were determined by counting lacZ-positive colonies as previously described (Cosset et al., J. Virol. (1990) 64: 1070-1078). Stability of lacZ pseudotypes in fresh human serum was examined by titrating surviving virus after incubation in 1:1 mixture of virus harvest in serum-free medium and fresh human serum for 1 h at 37°C as described before (Takeuchi et al. supra).

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Reverse transcriptase (RT) assay.

RT assays were performed either as described previously (Takeuchi et al. supra) or using an RT assay kit (Boehringer Mannheim, U.K.) following the manufacturer's instruction but using  $MnCl_2$  (2 mM) instead of  $MgCl_2$ .

#### Example 6

20 Screening producer cell lines.

Viral particles generated with RD114 envelopes have been found to be more stable in human serum than virions with MLV-A envelopes and that the producer cell line also controls sensitivity (Takeuchi et al. supra). A panel of cell lines was screened for their ability to produce high titer viruses and for the sensitivity of these virions to human serum. To do this, cells were infected at high multiplicity with lacZ pseudotypes of either MLV-A or RD114 and cells producing helper-positive lacZ pseudotypes were established. Human HT1080 and TE671 and mink Mv-1-Lu cells were found to release high titer lacZ(RD114) and lacZ(MLV-A) viruses. LacZ(MLV-A) pseudotypes produced by HT1080 cells were more resistant to human serum than those produced by other cells. The titer of these viruses was only four-fold less following a 1 hr incubation with human serum than a

control incubation (Table 1). LacZ(RD114) pseudotypes produced by human cells or mink Mv-1-Lu cells were in general stable in human serum (Table 1). These results suggested that HT1080, TE671 and Mv-1-Lu cells provided the best combination of high lacZ titers and resistance to human serum and they were therefore used for the generation of retroviral packaging cells.

Table 1. Titer and stability of lacZ pseudotypes.

	Producer cell	LacZ(	LacZ(MLV-A)		LacZ(RD114) .		
		Titera	Stabilityb	Titera	Stability <sup>b</sup>		
	A204	650	<3	1,200	3.05		
15 20	HeLa	9	nd	2,000	105		
	HOS	4,500	6	23,000	115		
	HT1080	2,000,000	26	400,000	86		
	MRC-5	450	10	1,000	129 nd		
	T24	350	nd	1,200	nd		
	TE671	15,000	2	90,000	38		
?5	VERO .	260	nd	90	nd		
	D17	900	<1	200,000	1		
	Mv-1-Lu	80,000	1	200,000	120		

a: titration on TE671 cells as lacZ i.u./ml

## Example 7

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Construction of an improved gag-pol expression vector.

A MoMLV gag-pol expression plasmid, CeB (Fig. 1), was

b: % of infectivity of human serum-treated viruses compared to fetal calf serum-treated viruses

derived from pCRIP (Danos et al., Proc. Natl. Acad Aci USA (1988) 85: 6460-6464). Approximately 2 Kb of env sequence were removed from pCRIP and the bsr selectable marker. conferring resistance to blasticidin S (Izumi et al., Experimental Cell Research (1991) 197:229-233), was inserted 5 74 nts downstream of the gag-pol gene. This 74 nts interval had no ATG triplets and was thought to provide an optimal distance between the stop codon of the pol reading frame and the start codon of the bsr gene to allow re-initiation of translation (Kozak Mol Cell Biol., 1987, 7: 3438-3445). 10 There was no "Kozak" consensus sequence (Kozak Cell, (1986) 44: 283-292) at the 5' end of the marker gene. Therefore, bsr could only be expressed by re-initiation of translation after the upstream gag-pol gene had been expressed. Consequently, after transfection of CeB in Mv-1-15 Lu/MFGnlsLacZ (ML), TE671/MFGnlsLacZ (TEL) or HT1080 cells, blasticidin S-resistant bulk populations and most cell clones expressed high levels of gag-pol proteins assessed by the reverse-transcriptase (RT) activity found in cell 20 supernatants (Table 2). Considerably higher RT activities were found in bulk populations of CeB-transfected ML cells compared to bulk population of ML cells stably transfected with the parental pCRIP construct. Similarly the RT activities of two packaging cell lines generated using 25 pCRIPenv- construct, psiCRE cells (Danos et al., supra) and EB8 cells (Battini supra.) were less than that of CeB transfected clones (Table 2). Finally, RT activitiy in CeB transfected cell supernatants was higher than that of cells chronically infected by replication-competent MLV-A (Table 30 2).

Table 2. Secreted reverse transcriptase expression

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Cella	RT activity <sup>b</sup>	LacZ Titer <sup>c</sup>

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	ML/MLV-A	1	8×10 <sup>4</sup>
	MLSvB	0.1	<1
	MLCRIP (bulk)	0.15	nd
	MLCeB (bulk)	1.7	nd
5	MLCeB1	4.2	1x10 <sup>6</sup>
	MLCeB4	1.6	1x10 <sup>6</sup>
	TEL/MLV-A	3.6	2x10 <sup>6</sup>
	TELCeB6	5.2	4x10 <sup>7</sup>
	HT1080/MLV-A	1.1	1x10 <sup>6</sup>
10	HTCeB6	1.9	1x10 <sup>6</sup>
	HTCeB18	2.7	2x10 <sup>6</sup>
	HTCeB22 (FLY)	6.9	5x10 <sup>6</sup>
	HTCeB48	5.5	3x10 <sup>6</sup>
	EB8	0.22	1x10 <sup>4</sup>
15	psiCRE-LLZ	1.2	1x10 <sup>5d</sup>

a: ML, Mv-1-Lu cells harboring a MFGnlslacZ provirus; TEL, TE671 cells harboring a MFGnlslacZ provirus; /MLV-A, cells chronically infected with MLV-A 1504 strain; MLSvB, ML cells transfected with a plasmid pSV2bsr alone; MLCRIP, ML cells co-transfected with pCRIP and pSV2bsr.

To rescue infectious lacZ viruses, MLCeB and TELCeB clones were transfected with FBASALF DNA, a plasmid designed to 30 express the MLV-A env gene (Fig. 1). Bulk populations of stable FBASALF transfectants were isolated and supernatants were titrated using TE671 cells as targets. Titers of lacZ viruses were higher than either MLV-A infected ML or TEL 35 cells, or FBASALF-transfected EB8 cells (Table 2). These data suggested that CeB was an extremely efficient MLV gagpol expression vector in mink Mv-1-Lu and TE671 cells. CeB

b: Average of arbitrary units relative to ML/MLV-A RT activity of at least two independent experiments was shown. The standard errors did not exceed 20 % of the values.

c: titration on TE671 cells as lacZ i.u./ml. After polyclonal transfection of a 25 plasmid which expresses MLV-A env in MLCeB clones, TELCeB clones, HTCeB clones and EB8 cells; nd, not done.

d: titration on NIH3T3 cells

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was therefore used to derive packaging cells by transfection of HT1080 cells. 41/49 blasticidin S-resistant colonies had detectable levels of RT; 9 had RT activity higher than that of control MLV-A-infected HT1080 cells (data not shown). Expression of gag precursor was confirmed in cell lysates and supernatants of these 9 HTCeB clones by immunoblotting using antibodies against p30-CA (data not shown). The 4 clones with the highest expression of gag proteins (clones 6,18,22 and 48) were infected at high-multiplicity with helper free, lacZ pseudotypes bearing MLV-A envelopes (MFGnlslacZ(A)) produced by TELCeB6/FBASALF (Table 3) and then transfected with FBASALF. Supernatants of bulk, phleomycin-resistant transfectants were assessed for RT activity and lacZ titer (Table 2). Clone HTCeB22, named FLY, was found to be the best gag-pol producer clone and was used to introduce env expression vectors for the generation of packaging cell lines.

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Table 3. Titer following env construct transfection

5	Producer cell	Env source	Titer			
	psiCRIP lacZ 5	pCRIPAMgag-	6x10 <sup>4b</sup>			
		r ontri i gag	exto			
	GP+EAM12 lacZ 25	envAM	3x10 <sup>5b</sup>			
10	TELCeB6	FBASALF°	5 <b>x1</b> 0 <sup>7</sup>			
		FBASAF°	2x10 <sup>7</sup>			
		FbdelPASAF°	$2x10^{7}$			
			2210			
1.5	TELCeB6	FBdelPASAF 1	3x10 <sup>7</sup>			
15		FbdelPASAF 4	$2x10^{7}$			
		FbdelPASAF 6	1x10 <sup>7</sup>			
		FbdelPASAF 7	5x10 <sup>7</sup>			
		FbdelPASAF 8	1x10 <sup>7</sup>			
2.0		FbdelPRDSAF 2	1x10 <sup>6</sup>			
20		FbdelPRDSAF 4	3x10 <sup>5</sup>			
		FbdelPRDSAF 7	1x10 <sup>7</sup>			
		FbdelPRDSAF 8	2x10 <sup>6</sup>			
	FLYd		<b>_</b>			
25	F LI I	FBdelPASAF 1	$1 \times 10^{1}$			
4.5		FbdelPASAF 4	1.5x106			
		FbdelPASAF 5	1x106			
		FbdelPASAF 7	$1x10^{6}$			
		FbdelPASAF 13	7x106			
30		FbdelPASAF 14	$4x10^{6}$			
30		FbdelPASAF 15	$1x10^{6}$			
		FbdelPASAF 16	5x106			
		FbdelPASAF 17	6x10 <sup>6</sup>			
35	FLYA4 lacZ 3	FBdelPASAF 4	2x10 <sup>7b</sup>			
J J	FLYd	·	-			
	LTI	FBdelPRDSAF 1	$2.5x10^{6}$			
		FbdelPRDSAF 2	1x10 <sup>7</sup>			
	·	FbdelPRDSAF 6	5x106			
40	44	FbdelPRDSAF 10	$2x10^{6}$			
- •		FbdelPRDSAF 11	3 <b>x</b> 106			
		FbdelPRDSAF 13	1x106			
		FbdelPRDSAF 17	5x106			
		FbdelPRDSAF 18	$3x10^{7}$			
45		FbdelPRDSAF 19	6x10 <sup>6</sup>			

Average titers of at least three independent experiments were shown. The standard errors did not exceed 30 % of the titer values.

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a: titrated on TE671 cells as lacZ i.u./ml

b: results of best MFGnlslacZ producer clones.

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- c: bulk populations of env-transfectants in TELCeB6 cells.
- d: titration after bulk infection with helper-free MFGnlslacZ.

## 5 Example 8

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Construction of env expression vectors.

A series of MLV-A env expression plasmids were then generated (Fig. 1). In FBASALF, the env gene was inserted between two Friend-MLV LTRs, its expression driven by the FB29 MLV LTR (Perryman et al., supra). Most of the packaging signal located in the leader region was deleted. This plasmid also expressed the phleo selectable marker (Gatignol et al., supra) driven by the 3' LTR. FBASAF and FBdelPASAF were then designed following the same strategy used for CeB. These two vectors differed only by the extent of deletion of the packaging signal, FBdelPASAF having virtually no leader sequence. Compared to pCRIPAMgag- and pCRIPgag-2 env plasmids expressed in psiCRIP or psiCRE packaging cells (Danos et al., supra) about 5 Kb of gag-pol sequences was removed. In addition the 258 bp retroviral sequence containing the end of env gene and the begining of U3 found in pCRIPAMgag- and pCRIPgag-2 was also removed. For both FBASAF and FBdelPASAF plasmids, the phleo selectable marker was inserted downstream of the env gene by positioning a 76 nts linker with no ATG codons between the two open-reading frames. Phleo could therefore only be expressed by reinitiation of translation by the same ribosomal unit that had expressed the upstream env open reading frame. FBdelPASAF was also used to generate FBdelPRDSAF, an RD114 envelope expression plasmid (Fig. 1).

After transfection of the env plasmids into TELCeB6 cells (Table 2), bulk populations of phleomycin-resistant colonies were isolated and their production of lacZ virus measured

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(Table 3). FBASALF gave a titer of 5x10<sup>7</sup> lacZ-i.u./ml, whilst titers with either FBASAF or FBdelPASAF were 2x10<sup>7</sup> lacZ-i.u./ml (Table 3). Titers of 5x10<sup>7</sup> or 10<sup>7</sup> lacZ-i.u./ml could be obtained with some FBdelPASAF cell clones or FBdelPRDSAF clones, respectively.

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As FBdelPASAF has minimal virus-derived sequences and was shown to be the safest construct (see below and Table 4), it and FBdelPRDSAF were used to generate packaging lines from FLY cells (clone HTCeB22, Table 2). Envelope expression of these clones was assayed by interference to challenge with MFGnlslacZ(A) or MFGnlslacZ(RD) pseudotypes produced by TELCeB6/FBdelPASAF-7 or TELCeB6/FBdelPRDSAF-7, respectively (Table 3). The cell lines showing most interference were cross-infected at high multiplicity with these pseudotypes to provide MFGnlslacZ proviruses, and supernatants were then titrated on TE671 cells (Table 3). FLY-FBdelPASAF-13 (FLYA13 packaging line) and FLY-FBdelPRDSAF-18 (FLYRD18 packaging line) gave the highest productions of lacZ viruses, around 107 lacZ-i.u./ml. The best MFGnlslacZ producer clones derived from either psiCRIP cells (Danos et al., supra) or GP+EAM12 cells (Markowitz et al., supra) gave approximately 50 fold lower titers (Table 3). The lacZ titers of the FLY-derived lines shown in Table 3 are lower than the best TELCeB6derived lines after transfection of either FBdelPASAF or FBdelPRDSAF (Table 3). However it should be noted that the lacZ provirus expressed in TELCeB6 cells was obtained after clonal selection but was introduced polyclonally in FLYderived env-transfected cell clones. When FLY-FBdelPASAF-4 cells (FLYA4 packaging line), infected with helper-free MFGnlslacZ(RD), were cloned by limiting dilution the best clones (eg. FLYA4lacZ3) were found to produce 20 times more infectious viruses than the bulk population, reaching the range of titers obtained with the best TELCeB6-FBdelPASAF clones (Table 3).

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Assays for transfer of gag-pol or env functions.

To assay for replication-competent viruses, supernatants were used to infect TEL cells (a clone of TE671 cells harboring an MFGnlslacZ provirus). Infected cells were passaged for 6 days or longer and their supernatants were used for infection of fresh TE671 cells. No transmission of lacZ viruses could be detected (Table 4), demonstrating that the supernatants of pCRIPAMgag--, FBASALF-, FBASAF-, or FBdelPASAF-transfected TELCeB6 cells were helper-free. Similar absence of replication competent recombinant retroviruses was demonstrated using supernatant from a clone of psiCRIP-MFGnlslacZ cells or from two clones of FLYA-MFGnlslacZ cells (Table 4).

There have been reports that helper-free retroviral vector stocks may nevertheless contain recombinant retroviruses (replication incompetent) carrying either gag-pol or env genes (Bestwick et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci USA (1988), 85, 5404-5408, Cosset et al., Virology (1993), 193, 385-395, Girod et al., Virology (1995), in press). To assay for such recombinant retroviruses, mobilisation of an MFGnlslacZ provirus from two indicator cell lines which could crosscomplement potential recombinant viruses carrying either gag-pol or env functional genes was attempted. The TELCeB6 line (Table 2) expressing gag-pol proteins was used as indicator cell line to test for the presence of env recombinant (ER) viruses. The TELMOSAF indicator line expressing MoMLV env glycoproteins (obtained by transfection of FBMOSAF, a plasmid expressing the MoMLV env gene using FBASAF backbone, in TEL cells) was used to detect the presence of gag-pol recombinant retroviruses (GPR viruses). After passaging 4-8 days, the supernatants of the infected indicator cells were used to infect either human TE671 cells WO 97/08330

or murine NIH3T3 cells.

TELCeB6 cells transfected with various env-expressing constructs, pCRIPAMgag-, FBASAF and FBdelPASAF were compared. Although the supernatants of TELCeB6-FBdelPASAF 5 cells were devoid of replication-competent retroviruses, they were found sporadically to transfer gag-pol genomes (Table 4). No GPR viruses could be detected when less than 2x10<sup>5</sup> virions were used to infect the indicator cells. Similarly TELCeB6 indicator cells infected with various 10 helper-free viruses were shown sporadically to release lacZ virions (Table 4). The number depended both on the envexpression vector used and on the virus input quantity. Compared to lacZ viruses generated using pCRIPAMgagplasmid, the frequency of detection of the env-recombinant 15 viruses was lower for supernatants generated by using FBASAF and FBdelPASAF constructs (Table 4). For FBdelPASAF construct when less than 5x10<sup>5</sup> MFGnlslacZ(A) helper-free virions were used to infect the indicator cells, no ER retroviruses could be detected. From these experiments, it 20 could be estimated that a supernatant, produced from TELCeB6-FBdelPASAF cells, containing 1x10' infectious units of MFGnlslacZ retroviral vector contained no replicationcompetent virus, and about 100 gag-pol and 100 env recombinant retroviruses. 25

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Table 4. Transfer of packaging function

Producer cell	Indicator cell	Input virus	ut virus <sup>a</sup> <u>Detection<sup>b</sup></u>			
		(lacZ-i.u.)	++	+	-	
Replication competent virus						
psiCRIP lacZ 5	TEL	2x10 <sup>4</sup>	0/4	0/4	.4/4	
TELCeB6-pCRIPAMgag-	TEL	5x10 <sup>6</sup>	0/4	0/4	4/4	
TELCeB6-FBASAF	TEL	5x10 <sup>6</sup>	0/4	0/4	4/4	
TELCeB6-FBdelPASAF	TEL	5x10 <sup>6</sup>	0/4	0/4	4/4	
FLYA4 lacZ 3	TEL	1x10 <sup>7</sup>	0/4	0/4	4/4	
FLYA4 lacZ 7	TEL	$1x10^{7}$	0/4	0/4	4/4	
Gag-pol recombinant						
TELCeB6-FBdelPASAF 7	TELMOSAF	$2x10^7$	0/4	1/4	3/4	
TELCeB6-FBdelPASAF 7	TELMOSAF	$2x10^{6}$	0/4	2/4	2/4	
TELCeB6-FBdelPASAF 7	TELMOSAF	2x10 <sup>5</sup>	0/4	2/4	2/4	
TELCeB6-FBdelPASAF 7	TELMOSAF	2x10 <sup>4</sup>	0/4	0/4	4/4	
	Env recombinent					
TELCeB6-pCRIPAMgag-	TELCeB6	$5x10^6$	2/4	1/4	1/4	
TELCeB6-pCRIPAMgag-	TELCeB6	5x10 <sup>5</sup>	1/4	1/4	2/4	
TELCeB6-pCRIPAMgag-	TELCeB6	5x10⁴ ·	0/4	2/4	2/4	
TELCeB6-FBASAF	TELCeB6	5x10 <sup>6</sup>	0/4	2/4	2/4	
TELCeB6-FBASAF	TELCeB6	5x10 <sup>5</sup>	0/4	1/4	3/4	
TELCeB6-FBASAF	TELCeB6	5x10 <sup>4</sup>	0/4	1/4	3/4	
TELCeB6-FBdelPASAF	TELCeB6	5x10 <sup>6</sup>	0/4	1/4	3/4	
TELCeB6-FBdelPASAF	TELCeB6	5x10 <sup>5</sup>	1/4	3/4	0/4	
TELCeB6-FBdelPASAF	TELCeB6	5x10⁴	0/4	0/4	4/4	

a: number of lacZ i.u. used to infect indicator cells

Titers were determined on TE671 cells for replication competent virus and env recombinant and NIH3T3 cells for

b: number of incidence out of four experiments. The ranges of lacZ titers rescued from infected indicator cells are shown for each virus input: >100 lacZ i.u./ml (++), 1-100 lacZ i.u./ml (+) and <1 lacZ i.u./ml (-).

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gag-pol recombinant.

## Example 10

In order to confirm resistance to complement and absence of replication competent virus in our best packaging lines, 5 MFGnlslacZ(A) and (RD) harvested from FLYA13 and FLYRD18, respectively, after polyclonal transduction of MFGnlslacZ (Table 3 above) were tested for stability in fresh human serum and generation of replication competent virus. Titers of MFGnlslacZ(RD) from FLYRD18 after 1 hr incubation with 3 10 independent samples of fresh human serum were 80 to 120 % of control incubations, while titers of MFGnlslacZ(A) from FLYA13 were 50 to 90 % of controls (data not shown). replication competent virus was detected in the same assay described above (Table 4) when 1 x  $10^7$  i.u. each of 15 MFGnlslacZ(A) and (RD) were tested.

## EXAMPLE 11.

- Generation of plasmids.

  CeB plasmid (Fig. 5) expressing MoMLV gag-pol gene, was further modified to remove the splice donor site located in the leader region. A 272 bp fragment was PCR-generated by using OUSD- (5'-TCTCGCTTCTGTTCGCGCGC) and OLSD-
- (5'-TCGATCAAGCTTGCGGCCGCGGTGGTGGTCGGTCGTCC) as primers and further digested with BssHII and HindIII. A 1008 bp HindIII-XhoI fragment isolated from CeB (encompassing a part of leader sequence and beginning MoMLV gag) and the PCR fragment were co-inserted into pCeB from which the 1275 bp BssHII-XhoI fragment (encompassing R-U5-leader-gag) had been removed. The resulting plasmid, named pCeB DS- (Fig. 5), beared the deletion of splice donor (SD) site and a NotI restriction site created just downstream to the lost SD site.

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A series of gag-pol expression plasmids in which the MoMLV LTR promoter was replaced by the human cytomegalovirus immediate early promoter (hCMV promoter) was derived from both CeB DS- and hCMV-G (Yee et al., 1994 PNAS, 91: 9564-9568), a plasmid used as a source for the hCMV promoter. A NotI-filled/EcoRI 7260 bp fragment was isolated from CeB DS- and cloned into hCMV-G which had been opened with SalI (further rendered blunt-ended) and EcoRI to remove the VSV-G gene. The resulting plasmid was cutted with ClaI and EcoRI to remove a 1155 bp fragment encompassing sequence derived from 3'-LTR and SV40 polyA sequence and self-ligated after filling both protruding DNA ends. The resulting plasmid, named phCMV-intron (Fig. 5), had gag-pol and bsr ORFs inserted between the CMV promoter and rabbit beta-globin polyA post-transcriptional regulatory sequences.

An intermediate plasmid was generated by sub-cloning a 7260 bp EcoRI fragment (isolated from CeB DS-) into hCMVG opened with EcoRI. A 1155 bp fragment (encompassing sequence derived from 3'-LTR and SV40 polyA sequence) was removed from this intermediate plasmid which was then re-circularized by self ligation after filling both ends. The resulting plasmid, named phCMV+intron 2P (Fig. 5), was digested with NotI and the vector was treated with klenow enzyme. A 1440 bp fragment (encompassing hCMV promoter and rabbit beta-1 globin intron B (Rohrbaugh et al., 1985 Mol. Cell Biol, 5: 147-160)) was isolated from phCMV+intron 2P by NotI/EcoRI digestion. This fragment was further treated with klenow enzyme and ligated back into the vector. The resulting plasmid, named hCMV+intron (Fig. 5), could express gag-pol and bsr genes driven by the hCMV promoter and beared an intron sequence derived from rabbit beta-1 globin intron B having both SD and SA (splice acceptable) sites.

A 2450 bp fragment was removed from phCMV+intron 2P by

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NotI/XhoI digestion. The resulting vector fragment was then used to co-ligate a 1330 bp fragment (containing hCMV promoter + 5' end of rabbit beta-1 globin intron B (with SD site)) isolated from phCMVG by ApaI-filled/NotI digestion and a 1 kb fragment isolated from phCMV+intron 2P by NotI-filled/XhoI digestion. Compared to phCMV+intron 2P, the resulting plasmid, named hCMV+SD intron (Fig. 5), had the deletion of the 3' end of the rabbit beta-1 globin intron B and thus no SA site in the leader region.

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Construct phCMV+leader (Fig. 5) has been described elsewhere (Savard et al., unpublished). This plasmid, in which gag-pol and bsr genes were driven by the hCMV promoter, had the MoMLV SD site in the leader region.

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# Gag-pol expression.

The different constructs, including the parental CeB plasmid, were analysed comparatively in a complementation assay after transfection in TEL-FBdelPASAF cells expressing 4070A-MLV (amphotropic) envelope and harboring a MFGnlslacZ 20 provirus. The transient production of lacZ retroviruses as well as the stable production of lacZ retroviral vectors after selection with blasticidin S were determined (Table 5). All the constructs were able to rescue infectious lacZ retroviruses indicating the expression of gag-pol proteins 25 after transient transfection. Most likely due to the efficient hCMV and rabbit beta-1 globin intron B (post)-transcriptional regulatory sequences, hCMV+intron was particularly potent in transient retroviral vector 30 production. However, 10 times less blasticidin-resistant colonies were obtained with hCMV+intron comparatively to CeB, and stable lacZ virus production from hCMV+intron was about 5-10 times lower than that of CeB. Clonal examination of lacZ retrovirus production from blasticidin-resistant colonies indicated that 80-90% of colonies could express 35

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high levels of gag-pol proteins for both hCMV+intron and CeB plasmids. In contrast, despite variation in their ability to form blasticidin-resistant colonies after transfection and despite their ability to express gag-pol proteins from transient transfectants, all other constructs had a weak capacity for rescuing lacZ retroviral vectors from stable transfectants (Table 5).

Table 5. Comparative study of gag-pol-bsr plasmids.

_			J-5 F		
10	gag-pol-bsr	Transient	no clones	Stable	% gag-pol
	plasmid	(lacZ	bsr*	(lacZ	/bsr
		i.u./ml)		i.u./ml	
	Ceb	300/ml	50	107	90%
	Ceb DS-	144/ml	5	10 <sup>5</sup>	50%
•	hCMV+intron	ND	20	10 <sup>6</sup>	50%
15	2P				
	hCMV-intron	812/ml	0	-	-
	hCMV+SD	150/ml	1000	10 <sup>2</sup>	nd
	intron				
	hCMV+leader	328/ml	1000	10 <sup>2</sup> -10 <sup>3</sup>	nd
20	hCMV+intron	12000/ml	5	106-107	80%

Northern blot analyses were performed on stable transfectants (blasticidin-resistant) obtained with some of the gag-pol-bsr plasmids. As expected, the results (not shown) displayed a correlation between expression of gag-pol mRNAs and gag-pol protein expression detected by rescue analysis (Table 5). CeB construct was found to produce 2-3 fold more gag-pol mRNAs compared to hCMV+intron.

Interestingly, an unexpected 2.45 kb RNA band was found for

Interestingly, an unexpected 2.45 kb RNA band was found for hCMV+intron construct at a ratio of 2:1 compared to the abundancy of the gag-pol mRNA band (at 5.95 kb). Further

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investigations by using other probes revealed that a cryptic splice donnor (SD) site located in the gag gene (right in the middle of the CA coding region at position 1596-1597 -numbering according to Shinnick et al., 1981 Nature (London) 293: 543-548) was activated in this latter construct. The 2.45 RNA species, lacking the 3' half of the gag gene and most of the pol gene, is unlikely to give rise to any useful translational product. It is therefore interesting to notice that hCMV+intron construct was able to give rise to slightly more transcripts (gag-pol 5.95 mRNA + 2.45 alternative RNA band) compared to gag-pol mRNA expressed from CeB construct. Therefore we decided to inactivate the cryptic SD site in the hCMV+intron construct in order to increase the ratio of gag-pol mRNAs.

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Assays for transfer of gag-pol functions.

Although the supernatants of pacakaging cell lines generated with CeB gag-pol expression contruct were devoid of replication-competent retroviruses, they were found 20 sporadically to transfer gag-pol genomes (example 9, Table 4) (Cosset et al., 1995 J. Virol 69: 7430-7436). Because gag-pol-bsr constructs generated here by using the hCMV promoter had much less retroviral sequences homologous to the retroviral vector than the parental CeB construct (Fig. 5), they are less likely to give rise to gag-pol recombinant 25 (GPR) viruses. Therefore, the most efficient gag-pol-bsr plasmids, hCMV+intron and CeB, were further analysed for emergence of GPR viruses. To assay for such recombinant retroviruses, we attempted to mobilise an lacZ provirus from an indicator cell lines which could cross-complement 30 potential recombinant viruses carrying gag-pol functional genes. Results displayed in Table 6 showed that consistently with data reported previously (example 9, Table 4) (Cosset et al., 1995 Supra), lacZ retrovirus vectors generated by using CeB gag-pol construct were contaminated with GPR viruses. In 35

contrast lacZ retrovirus vectors generated by using hCMV+intron construct were completely devoid of such GPR viruses, suggesting that this construct was improved compared to CeB with respects with emergence of recombinant viruses.

Table 6. Comparative study of gag-pol-bsr plasmids.

plasmid	input virus (lacZ i.u.)	j	_	riments res of <sup>b</sup>
СеВ	5x10 <sup>6</sup>	5	3	0
	5x10 <sup>5</sup>	2	2 4 2	
	5x104	0	1	.7
hCMV+intron	5x10 <sup>6</sup>	0	0	8
	5x10 <sup>5</sup>	0	0	8 "
	5x104	0	0	8

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4x10E4 cells of TEL/MOSAF in 24 wells were challenged with lacZ(A) of i.u. indicated in the table (a), and incubated at 37°C for 3 days. Cells were trypsinized and transferred into small flasks. Cell sup was harvested on day 5 after lacZ(A) challenge and plated on either TE571 (not shown) and 3T3 cells (b). No lacZ was mobilized into TE671 at all. LacZ(A) from CMV-int 10 again did not rescue lacZ from TEL/MOSAF.

#### Example 12

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Generic primers to detect D-type (Medstrand and Blomberg J.Virol. (1993) 67:6778-6787), C-type (Shih et al., J Virol. (1989) 63:64-75), human endogenous virus RTVL-H (Wilkinson et al., J.Virol. (1993) 67:2981-2989), by RT-PCR were employed (Patience et al., supra). Primers to detect mouse endogenous VL30 element (Adams et al Mol.Cel.Biol. (1988) 8:2989-2998), and MFGnlslacZ RNA were designed and synthesized (TABLE X). Overnight supernatants (in 4ml of culture medium) from 106 cells of GP+EAM12lacZ25, FLYA4lacZ3

and TELCeB6FBASALF cells (Table 3) were harvested and centrifuged in sucrose gradient as described previously (Patience et al., J.Virol., 70:2654-2657). Fractions containing retrovirus particles were collected, and RNA extracted. One twentieth of the RNA preparation or dilution's thereof were applied to RT-PCR as described previously (Table X). A 1/200 of RNA harvested from GP+EAM12lacZ25 cells was positive for VL30 RNA. MFGnlslacZ RNA was found from 1/20 of RNA from GP+EAM12lacZ and TELCeB6FBASALF cells and 1/200 of RNA from FLYA4lacZ3 cells. The primer combinations for RTVL-H, C- and D-type RNA did not give detectable PCR product.

Table 7. RT-PCR detection of endogenous retrovirus RNA associated with virus particles.

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			rt-pcr of virion associated RNA froma				
20	RNA	<pre>primer (5'-3') forward(F)/reverse(R)</pre>	GP+EAM12 lacZ25		TELCeB6F BASALF		
25	MFGnls lacZ	F) CTCTGGCTCACAGTACGACGT R) CCATCAATCCGGTAGGTTTTC		++	+		
30	C-type	F) CARRGKTTCAARAACWSYCCC R) AGYARVGTAGCNGGGTTHAGG		-	<del>-</del>		
	D-type	F) TCCCCTTGGAATACTCCTGTT R) CATTCCTTGTGGTAAAACTTT		-	-		
35	RTVL-H	F) CCTCACCCTGATCACRYTTG R) GAATTATGTCTGACAGAAGGG	NT	-	-		
	VL30	F) GTTGACATCTGCAGAGAAAGA(R) TCTGAGGTCTGTACACACAAT(		NT	NT		

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a:-,not detected; + detected in 1/20 RNA preparation; ++ detected in 1/200 RNA preparation; NT, not tested because the cells do not possess the corresponding genes.

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#### EXAMPLE 13.

# Generation of gag-pol pre-packaging cells by using TE671 cells.

CeB, a plasmid designed to over-express MoMLV gag and pol 10 proteins was introduced in TE671 human rhabdomyosarcoma cells (ATCC CRL8805). After selection with blasticidin, 50 bsr-positive colonies were isolated and the RT (reverse transcriptase) activity was analysed in their supernatants. 12 TE671-CeB (TECeB) clones with high RT activity were 15 selected for further analysis. The best TECeB clone, clone #15, had a RT activity roughly equivalent to that TELCeB6 cells (Cosset et al., J. Virol. 69:7430-7436 (1995); see also Example 7, Table 6 in this patent application) but 20 displayed 2-3 fold more gag-precursors into cells as demonstrated in immunoblots by using anti-CA antibodies. The biological activity of gag-pol proteins expressed in the six best TECeB clones was further confirmed by their ability to produce infectious retroviruses in a complementation assay. A lacZ provirus was introduced into each of the TECeB clones 25 by polyclonal cross-infection by using lacZ(RD114) helperfree retrovirus vectors. FBMOSALF, a MoMLV env expression plasmid (Cosset et al., J. Virol. 69:6314-6322), was then transfected in each of the TECeB-lacZ lines and in the TELCeB6 cell line for comparison. After selection with 30 phleomycin, the titer of lacZ retrovirus vectors was determined in the supernantant of pools of phleomycinresistant colonies for each TECEB-lacZ-FBMOSALF lines. A

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good correlation was found between gag-pol expression into the TE-CeB clones (as determined by RT-assays and anti-gag immunoblots) and their ability to release infectious lacZ particles. TE-CeB15 cells could release approximately the same number of lacZ particles when compared to TELCeB6 cells although TELCeB6 cells had the advantage of being selected for lacZ expression (Cosset et al., J. Virol. 69:7430-7436 (1995)). TE-CeB15 cells were therefore used to derive retroviral packaging cell lines.

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# Construction of env-expression plasmids.

A series of plasmid (Fig. 3) was designed to allow expression of different retroviral envelope genes (isolated from MoMLV, GALV -Gibbon Ape Leukemia Virus-, and MLV-10A1).

FBdelPMOSAF (Fig. 3, nucleotide sequence in Fig. 10) and FBdelP10A1SAF, expressing ecotropic MoMLV or MLV-10A1 envelopes, were generated by replacing the BglII/ClaI fragment from FBdelPASAF (Cosset et al., J. Virol. 69:7430-7436 (1995); see also Example 7, Fig. 2 and nucleotide sequence in Fig. 9) encompassing most of the env gene and splice acceptor site with that of MoMLV (position 5407 to 7679, Shinnik et al., 1981) or with that of MLV-10A1 (Ott et al., J. Virol. 64:757-766 (1990)).

Nucleotides 7514-7516 of GALV (Delassus et al., Viroleous)

Nucleotides 7514-7516 of GALV (Delassus et al., Virology 173:205-213 (1989)) were mutated by PCR-mediated mutagenesis to create a ClaI site (AAG to CGA), thereby introducing a conservative modification (a lysine (amino-acid 665 of GALV env precursor) to an arginine). The BamHI/ClaI fragment (nts 4994 (Delassus et al. Virology 173:205-213 (1989)) to 7517) was then sub-cloned into FBdelPASAF in which the BglII/ClaI encompassing most of the env gene and splice acceptor site had been removed. The resulting plasmid, expressing GALV

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envelope glycoproteins, was named FBdelPGASAF (Fig. 3, nucleotide sequence in Fig. 11).

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CMV10A1 was generated by inserting a Klenow enzyme-filled EagI/SalI fragment from FBdelP10A1SAF (encompassing 10A1 MLV env gene and phleo selectable marker) into hCMV-G digested with BamHI and filled with Klenow enzyme. The resulting plasmid, CMV10A1 (Fig. 3 and nucleotide sequence in Fig. 13) could express 10A1 envelopes under control of the hCMV promoter and the phleo selectable marker by translation reinitiation.

# Generation of a multi-tropic set of TE671-based retroviral packaging lines.

FBdelPRDSAF (Fig. 3, nucleotide sequence in Fig. 12),

15 FBdelPASAF, FBdelPGASAF, FBdelPMOSAF and FBdelP10A1SAF were independently introduced into cells of the TE-CeB15 prepackaging line, expressing MoMLV gag-pol proteins. Transfected cells were phleomycin-selected and 15-20 phleoresistant colonies were isolated for each env-expression 20 plasmid transfected. Individual colonies were then analysed for expression of envelope glycoproteins by immunoblots on cell lysates by using antibodies against RD114 SU glycoproteins or against Rausher leukemia virus SU (to screen MoMLV, MLV-4070A and 25 MLV-10A1 env-producer clones) or against GALV. The best envproducer colonies as determined in this assay were further analysed by a complementation assay after introducing a lacZ retroviral vector. LacZ pseudotypes released from the different packaging cell lines were titrated by using NIH 30 3T3 cells or TE671 cells as target. Titers higher than 1x107 lacZ i.u./ml were obtained for the best clones. Depending on

the envelope specificities expressed in these cells, the new

TE671-based retroviral packaging cell lines were named TE-FLYE, TE-FLYA, TE-FLYRD, TE-FLY10A1, and TE-FLYGA and could express the MoMLV, MLV-4070A, RD114, MLV-10A1, and GALV env genes, respectively.

Assays for detecting replication-competent retroviruses (RCRs) were performed in the supernatants of these cells and were negative (less than 1/ml).

TE671 cells are very potent for transient expression resulting in more than 95% of cells expressing transgene 10 three days after plasmid transfection (Hatziioannou and Cosset, unpublished data, (1996)). The ability of retroviral packaging cell lines to transiently produce retroviral vectors is of crucial importance for gene therapy where vectors carrying toxic gene have to be prepared. Transient 15 expression of retroviral vectors was comparatively determined from cells of the TE-FLYA line and from the BING line (Pear et al., Proc Natl Acad Sci U S A 90, 8392-6 (1993)), a retroviral packaging cell line designed to transiently express retroviral vectors. Results (Table 8) 20 showed that TE-FLYA cells were more efficient for transient expression of a lacZ retroviral vector hence resulting in higher titers.

Table 8. Comparative study of transient production of lacZ vectors.

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packaging cell line	cell number	% transfected cells <sup>b</sup>	transient titer <sup>c</sup>
BING	281	5.3	2×10 <sup>2</sup>
TE-FLYA	117	35	
ells were transf	ected by MFGnislac7 rer		$1.3x10^3$

Cells were transfected by MFGnlslacZ retroviral vectors with calcium phosphate precipitation method and titers of of lacZ vectors (c) released in cell

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supernatant were determined as lacZ i.u./ml at day 3 following transfection. The relative number of cells (a) (average per microscope field) and the % of transfected cells (b) determined after X-gal staining are shown.

Retroviral vectors prepared from TE671-based packaging cell lines were analysed for their sensitivity to human-complement mediated inactivation. Experiments were conducted as previously described (Cosset et al., J. Virol. 69:7430-7436 (1995); see also Example 10 in this patent application) by using three human sera of individual donnors (Table 9). As expected MLV-A prepared from mouse 3T3 cells were highly sensitive to inactivation after 1 hr incubation with sera. In contrast, titers of lacZ vectors produced from TE-FLYRD cells were 17 to 55% of control incubations, while titers of lacZ vectors from TE-FLYA cells were 1 to 30% of controls.

Table 9. Human serum sensitivity of viruses produced from TE671-based packaging cell lines.

Virus from:	hu56*	hu57°	BTS*
3T3/A	<0.2, <0.2	<0.2, <0.2	<0.2, <0.2
TE-FLYE -	15, 7.8	16, 11	48, 60
TE-FLYA	1, 0.6	2.2, 7.1	28, 19
TE-FLYRD	17, 22	30, 44	54, 63

Three human fresh serum samples were tested in duplicate; hu56 (A+), hu57 (AB+), BTS(AB+). (a) % control (average for FCS and opti-MEM treatment) is shown.

#### CLAIMS:

- 1. A recombinant expression vector comprising a gene of interest and a selectable marker gene, wherein the selectable marker gene is arranged downstream of the gene of interest and a stop codon associated with the gene of interest is spaced from a start codon of said selectable marker gene at a distance which is sufficient to ensure that said selectable marker protein is expressed from the corresponding mRNA as a result of translation reinitiation.
- 2. A recombinant expression vector according to claim 1 wherein the vector is a viral vector.
- 3. A recombinant expression vector according to claim 2 wherein the vector is a retroviral vector.
- 4. A recombinant expression vector according to any one of claims 1 to 3 wherein the gene of interest is included as part of a viral packaging construct.
- 5. A recombinant expression vector according to any one of the preceding claims wherein the number of nucleotides in the space between the stop codon of the gene of interest and the start codon of the selectable marker is in the range of from 20 to 200 nucleotides.
- 6. A recombinant expression vector according to claim 5 wherein the number of nucleotides in the space between the stop codon of the gene of interest and the start codon of the selectable marker is in the range of from 60 to 80 nucleotides.
- 7. A process for producing a cell line in which a gene of interest is expressed, which process comprises: transforming host cells with an expression vector

- according to any one of the claims 1 to 6; and selectable those cells where expression of the selection marker gene may be detected.
- 8. A process according to claim 7 wherein the host cell is a eukaryotic cell.
- 9. A host cell transformed with a recombinant expression vector according to any one of the claims 1 to 6.
- A retroviral packaging cell line comprising a host 10. cell transformed with a first and a second recombinant expression vector, said first recombinant expression having a packaging-deficient comprising a viral gag-pol gene and a first selectable marker gene downstream thereof, and said second recombinant expression vector having a packagingdeficient construct comprising a viral env gene and a second selectable marker gene downstream thereof; wherein the start codon of the first and second selectable markers are spaced from the stop codons of the viral gag-pol gene and the viral env gene respectively by a distance which ensures that said selectable marker protein is expressed from the corresponding mRNA as a result of translation reinitiation.
- 11. A retroviral packaging cell line according to claim 10 wherein the first selectable marker is a bsr selectable marker and the second selectable marker is a phleo selectable marker.
- 12. A retroviral packaging cell line according to any one of claims 10 or 11 wherein the packaging-deficient construct comprising the viral gag-pol gene and first selectable marker is the CeB (SEQ ID No 2) expression construct.

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- 13. A retroviral packaging cell line according to any one of claims 10 or 11 wherein the packaging-deficient construct comprising the viral env gene and second selectable marker is the FBdelPASAF (SEQ ID No 5), the FBdelPMOSAF (SEQ ID No 6), the FbdelPGASAF (SEQ ID No 7), the FbdelPRDSAF (SEQ ID No 8), the FbdelPXSAF (Fig. 3), the FbdelP10A1SAF (Fig. 3), or the FBdelPVSVGSAF (Fig. 3) expression construct.
- 14. A retroviral packaging cell line according to any one of claims 10 or 11 wherein the recombinant expression vector is a packaging-deficient retroviral helper construct.
- 15. A retroviral packaging cell line according to claim 14 wherein the overlapping sequences between the genomes of the retroviral vector and the packaging-deficient construct is reduced by minimizing the extent of non-coding retroviral sequences in the packaging-deficient genome.
- 16. A retroviral packaging cell line according to any one of claims 10 to 15 wherein the viral gag-pol gene and the selectable marker are expressed under the control of a non-retroviral promoter.
- 17. A retroviral packaging cell line according to claim 16 wherein the promoter is fused to rabbit beta-1 globin intron.
- 18. A retroviral packaging cell line according to claim 16 or claim 17 wherein the promoter is a hCMV promoter.
- 19. A retroviral packaging cell line according to any one of claims 16 to claim 18 wherein the viral gag-pol gene and the selectable marker is a hCMV+intron (SEQ

- ID No3) or a hCMV+intronkaSD (SEQ ID No 4) expression construct.
- 20. A retroviral packaging cell line according to anyone of claims 10 to 15 wherein the viral env gene and the selectable marker are under the control of a non-retroviral promoter.
- 21. A retroviral packaging cell line according to claim 20 wherein the promoter is fused to rabbit beta-1 globin intron.
- 22. A retroviral packaging cell line according to claim 20 or claim 21 wherein the promoter is a hCMV promoter.
- 23. A retroviral packaging cell line according any one of claims 20 to 22 wherein the viral env gene and the selectable marker is a CMV10Al (SEQ ID No 9) expression construct.
- 24. A retroviral packaging cell line according to any one of claims 10 to 23 wherein the cell line is the HT1080 line, the TE671 line, the 3T3 line, the 293 line or the MV-1-1U line.
- 25. A retroviral packaging cell line according to anyone of claims 10 to 24 wherein the retroviral packaging cells comprises human HT1080 cells and express RD114 envelopes.
- 26. A retroviral packaging cell line according to anyone of claims 10 to 24 wherein the retroviral packaging cells comprises human TE671 cells and express RD114 envelopes.

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27. A process for producing a retroviral packaging cell line in which a gene of interest in expressed, which process comprises:

transforming host cells with a first and a second recombinant expression vector, said first recombinant vector having packaging-deficient a construct comprising a viral gag-pol gene and a first selectable marker gene downstream thereof, and said recombinant expression second vector having packaging-deficient construct comprising a viral env gene and a second selectable marker gene downstream thereof; wherein the start codon of the first and second selectable markers are spaced from the stop codons of the viral gag-pol gene and the viral env gene respectively by a distance which ensures that said selectable marker protein is expressed from the corresponding mRNA as a result of translation reinitiation; and

selecting transformed cells which express said first and/or second marker genes.

- A packaging deficient construct for use in a process according to claim 27, which expresses a viral gag-pol gene and a selectable marker wherein a start codon of the selectable marker is spaced from a stop codon of the viral gag-pol gene by a distance which ensures that said selectable marker protein is expressed from the corresponding mRNA as a result of translation reinitiation.
- 29. A packaging deficient construct for use in a process according to claim 27, which expresses a viral env gene and a selectable marker gene; wherein a start codon of the selectable marker is spaced from a stop codon of the viral env gene by a distance which ensures that said selectable marker protein is

expressed from the corresponding mRNA as a result of translation reinitiation.

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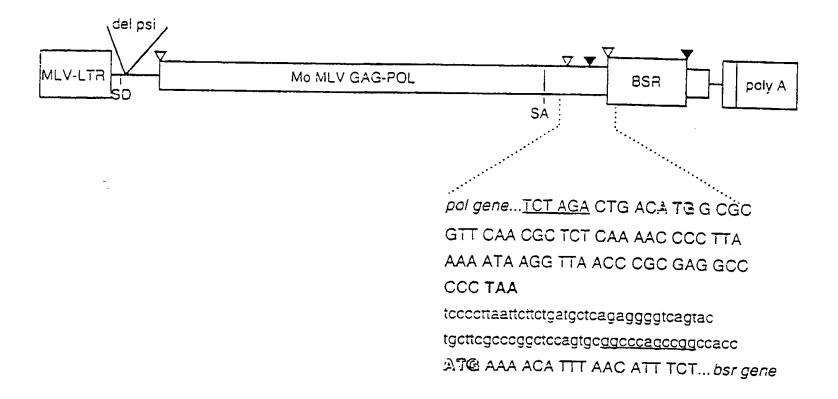


Figure 1. Schematic structure of CeB expression vector

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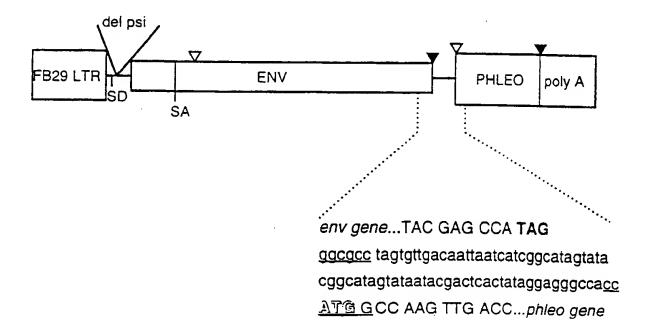


Figure 2. Schematic structure of FBdelPASF expression vector

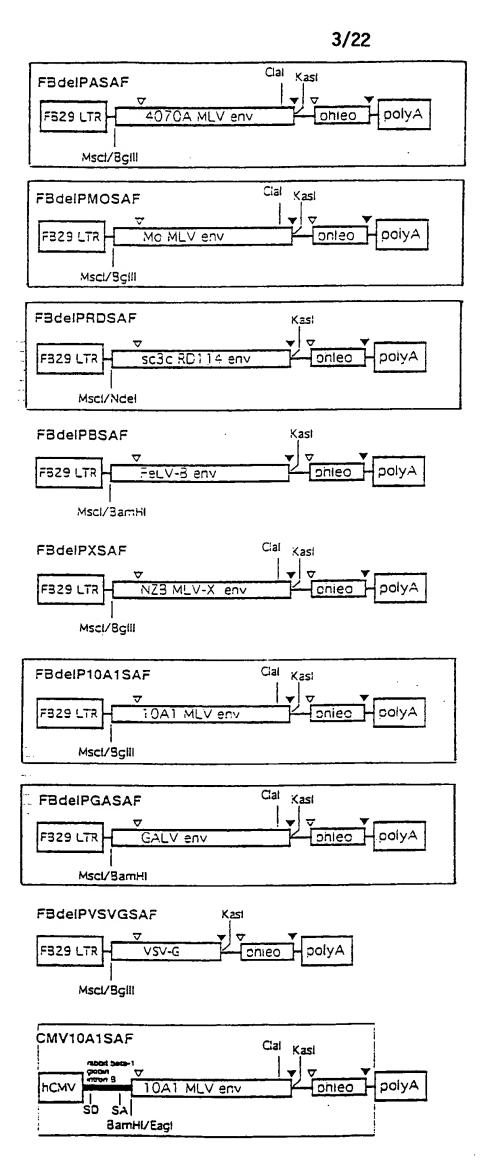


Figure 3. Schematic structure of env expression vectors
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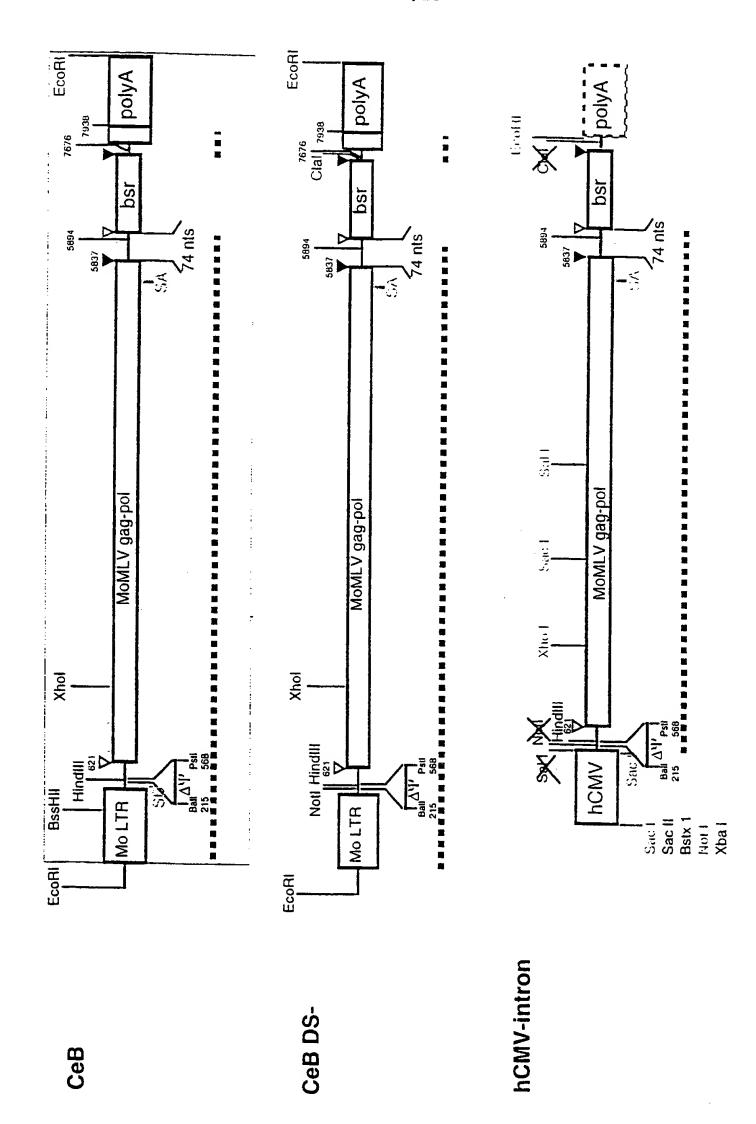


Figure 5. Genetic structure of gag-pol constructs (page 1/3)

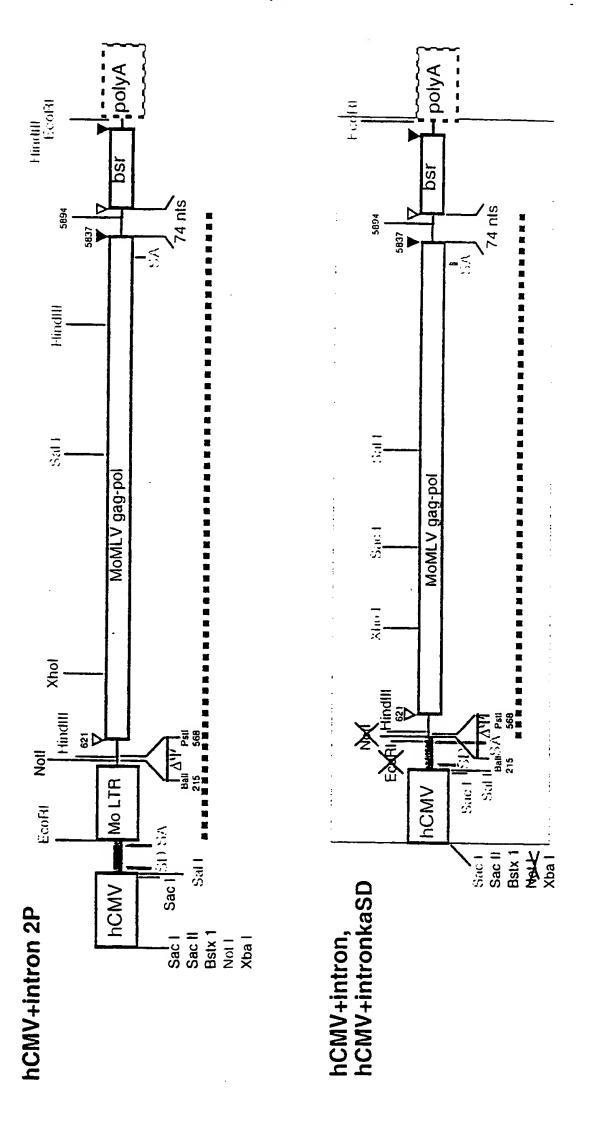


Figure 5. Genetic structure of gag-pol constructs (page 2/3)

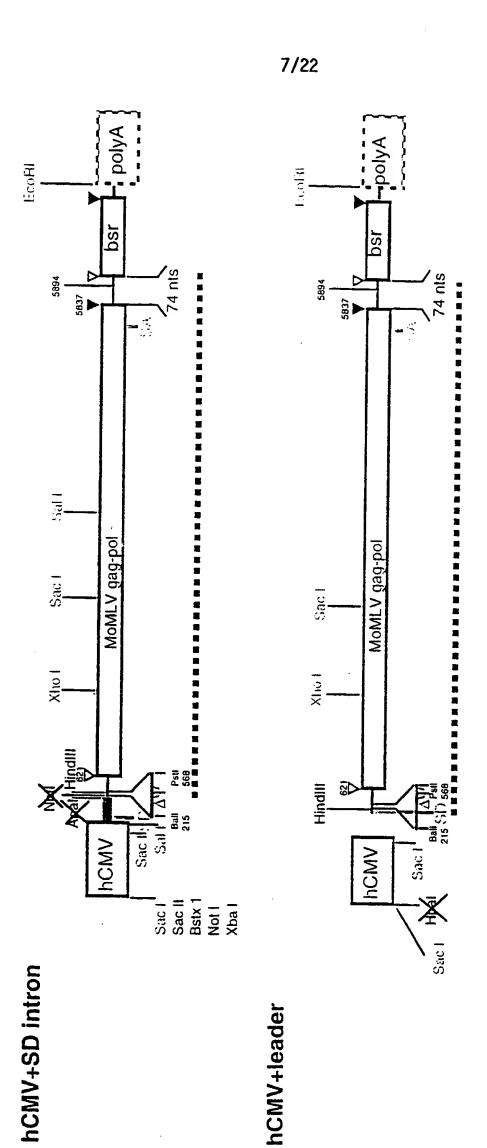


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Figure 7. hCMV+intron Sequence

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Figure 7. hCMV+intron Sequence

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Figure 9. FBdelPASAF Sequence

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## Figure 10. FBdelPMOSAF Sequence

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#### Figure 11. FBdelPGASAF Sequence

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## Figure 12. FBdelPRDSAF Sequence

AGTTCGGTGT AGGTCGTTCG CTCCAAGCTG GGCTGTGTGC ACGAACCCCC CGTTCAGCCC GACCGCTGCG CCTTATCCGG TAACTATCGT CTTGAGTCCA ACCCGGTAAG ACACGACTTA TCGCCACTGG CAGCAGCCAC TGGTAACAGG ATTAGCAGAG CGAGGTATGT AGGCGGTGCT ACAGAGTTCT TGAAGTGGTG GCCTAACTAC GGCTACACTA GAAGGACAGT ATTTGGTATC 4260 TGCGCTCTGC TGAAGCCAGT TACCTTCGGA AAAAGAGTTG GTAGCTCTTG ATCCGGCAAA 4320 CAAACCACCG CTGGTAGCGG TGGTTTTTTT GTTTGCAAGC AGCAGATTAC GCGCAGAAAA AAAGGATCTC AAGAAGATCC TTTGATCTTT TCTACGGGGT CTGACGCTCA GTGGAACGAA 4440 AACTCACGTT AAGGGATTTT GGTCATGAGA TTATCAAAAA GGATCTTCAC CTAGATCCTT TTAAATTAAA AATGAAGTTT TAAATCAATC TAAAGTATAT ATGAGTAAAC TTGGTCTGAC 4500 4560 AGTTACCAAT GCTTAATCAG TGAGGCACCT ATCTCAGCGA TCTGTCTATT TCGTTCATCC ATAGTTGCCT GACTCCCGT CGTGTAGATA ACTACGATAC GGGAGGGCTT ACCATCTGGC 4620 CCCAGTGCTG CAATGATACC GCGAGACCCA CGCTCACCGG CTCCAGATTT ATCAGCAATA AACCAGCCAG CCGGAAGGGC CGAGCGCAGA AGTGGTCCTG CAACTTTATC CGCCTCCATC 4800 CAGTCTATTA ATTGTTGCCG GGAAGCTAGA GTAAGTAGTT CGCCAGTTAA TAGTTTGCGC 4860 AACGTTGTTG CCATTGCTAC AGGCATCGTG GTGTCACGCT CGTCGTTTGG TATGGCTTCA TTCAGCTCCG GTTCCCAACG ATCAAGGCGA GTTACATGAT CCCCCATGTT GTGCAAAAAA GCGGTTAGCT CCTTCGGTCC TCCGATCGTT GTCAGAAGTA AGTTGGCCGC AGTGTTATCA CTCATGGTTA TGGCAGCACT GCATAATTCT CTTACTGTCA TGCCATCGT AAGATGCTTT TCTGTGACTG GTGAGTACTC AACCAAGTCA TTCTGAGAAT AGTGTATGCG GCGACCGAGT 5100 5160 TCTGTGACTG
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